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SUBJECT: DECREE 788: ESTABLISHMENT OF REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCE
DEPOSITS FOR IMPORTS

REFS A) QUITO 6835 B) QUITO 6837

1. ONE OF THE SERIES OF NEW DECREES REPORTED IN REF A IS
DECREE 788 WHICH ESTABLISHES REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCE
DEPOSITS TO BE PAID TO THE CENTRAL BANK BY IMPORTERS AT THE
TIME THEY APPLY TO HAVE AN IMPORT LICENSE LIQUIDATED. THIS
MEASURE IN EFFECT PARTIALLY SUBSTITUTES FOR THE REDUCTION OF
IMPORT SURCHARGES AS REPORTED IN REF B. FOLLOWING IS OUR
INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE FULL TEXT OF DECREE 788 AS PRESENTED IN
A GOE PRESS RELEASE SEPTEMBER 11:

2. "THE MONETARY BOARD IN EMPLOYMENT OF ITS POWERS, RESOLVES:
"ARTICLE 1. TO FIX THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGES FOR PRIOR
DEPOSITS, BASED ON THE CIF VALUE OF MERCHANDISE IMPORTED
INTO THE COUNTRY:

LIST	SEGMENT	PRIOR DEPOSIT
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I A 0

I	B	20 PERCENT
II	-	30 PERCENT

"THE DEPOSITS WILL BE CONSIGNED TO THE CENTRAL BANK OF ECUADOR IN THE PREVIOUS MANNER UPON PRESENTATION OF THE IMPORT PERMIT, AND THEY WILL REMAIN FOR A FIXED PERIOD OF 180 DAYS COUNTING FROM THE DATE OF THEIR PAYMENT, INDEPENDENTLY OF THE FORM OF PAYMENT STIPULATED FOR THE LIQUIDATION OF THE ACCOUNT ABROAD.

"ARTICLE 2 THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, THE OFFICIAL ENTITIES AND THE PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS WITH SOCIAL OR PUBLIC OBJECTIVES ARE OBLIGATED TO PRODUCE THE FOLLOWING PRIOR DEPOSITS BASED UPON THE CIF VALUE OF MERCHANDISE IMPORTED INTO THE COUNTRY:

LIST	SEGMENT	PRIOR DEPOSIT
I	A	0
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"ARTICLE 3. EXONERATED FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF PRIOR DEPOSIT ARE IMPORTS OF GOODS DESTINED FOR PUBLIC INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, FINANCED WITH INTERNATIONAL CREDITS, AS WELL AS THOSE THAT ARE DESTINED FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF PRIORITY PROGRAMS OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF TRANSFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT; THE MONETARY BOARD RESOLVES TO CONCEDE TOTALLY OR PARTIALLY THIS EXEMPTION. ALSO EXONERATED FROM THIS REQUIREMENT IS THE IMPORTATION OF MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THE TEMPORARY INTERNATIONAL REGIME ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE 14 OF THE ORGANIC LAW OF CUSTOMS IN FORCE.

"ARTICLE 4. THE RECEIPTS AND THE PRIOR DEPOSITS ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLES 1 AND 2 OF THE PRESENT REGULATION WILL NOT BE NEGOTIABLE, NOR WILL THEY BEAR INTEREST. THEY WILL BE REDEEMABLE ONLY BY THE CENTRAL BANK OF ECUADOR IN FAVOR OF THE IMPORTER UPON EXPIRATION OF HIS TERM OF DEPOSIT HOWEVER THEY CAN BE GIVEN AS GUARANTEE TO FINANCIAL ENTITIES THAT SUPPLIED RESOURCES FOR THE IMPORTATION.

"ARTICLE 5. NOT SUBJECT TO PRIOR DEPOSITS ARE PDPORTS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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MERCHANDISE PROTECTED BY LICENSES PRESENTED IN THE OFFICES OF EXCHANGE OF THE CENTRAL BANK OF ECUADOR UP TO THE PRESENT DATE AND WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THE ANTICIPATED IMPORT DUTIES HAVE BEEN EFFECTED.

ARTICLE 6. ALL REGULATIONS AND OTHER DISPOSITIONS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THE PRESENT DECREE ARE ABROGATED."
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